

medals have never been returned to the men or their families.

I thank the United States Coast Guard for agreeing to provide replicas of these medals to the surviving families of the members of the Cape Lookout life saving crew. These brave men will be honored in perpetuity by the display of these replica medals in the Core Sound Waterfowl Museum in Harkers Island, North Carolina for their brave efforts they gave during the rescue of the *Sarah D. J. Rawson*.

IN RECOGNITION OF LOUDOUN
COUNTY'S 2016 FUTURE LEADERS

HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 8, 2016

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge the eight Loudoun County students selected by the Claude Moore Charitable Foundation to be a part of the 2016 Future Leaders Program. I would like to personally commemorate Gabby Lewis, Ryan Wells, Maria Fernando Peña, Matthew Eberhart, Oriella Meija, Jasmine Lu, Devin MacGoy, and Madison Ojeda, each of whom has proven to be both outstanding students and remarkable people. They truly embody the very best of this nation's values through their continued hard work and commitment to excellence in education.

Loudoun County has continually provided a top notch learning environment with numerous opportunities and programs above and beyond its expectations, which has cultivated many young leaders like the ones I am recognizing today. These future leaders have developed amiable qualities similar to those of our nation's leaders. This recognition is a clear testament to the outstanding works these exemplary individuals exhibit and they are deserving of recognition.

Mr. Speaker, it brings me immense pride to recognize such a fine group of students, and I sincerely hope that we all can live up to their remarkable example. I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating them and I wish them the best of luck and continued success in their futures.

IN RECOGNITION OF STATER
BROS. 80TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. NORMA J. TORRES

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 8, 2016

Mrs. TORRES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Inland Empire based supermarket chain Stater Bros. on their 80th year anniversary and their commitment to provide value, quality, and friendly service to families all across Southern California.

On August 17, 1936, the first Stater Bros. store was opened in the San Bernardino County by two World War II veteran brothers, Cleo & Leo Stater. The company has become the largest privately owned chain of supermarket stores in Southern California and is the largest private employer in both San Bernardino County and Riverside County.

Stater Bros. currently operates 168 supermarkets with approximately 18,000 members

working as part of the Stater Bros. family. As a company that was founded by veterans, nearly 2,000 employees have served or continue to serve in multiple branches of our armed forces. Stater Bros. advances the legacy of its founders by continuing to give back to the communities it serves.

Stater Bros. is among the top 100 privately owned businesses in the country and it is a valued and valuable member of the community. They have provided funding to countless local organizations benefitting hunger relief, children's well-being, education, health care, and help for our nation's veterans. This includes support for organizations such as Feeding America, Toys for Tots, the Children's Fund, and the 'Believe Walk' to fight cancer.

Their generosity has garnered Stater Bros. several honors and recognitions such as the Donor of the Year award from Feeding America's Riverside/San Bernardino chapter for leading efforts to donate over 3 million pounds of food to local food charities each year. Stater Bros. also received the Best Emissions Rate award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for helping remove nearly 40 million pounds of waste from landfills each year through their Green Waste Composting Program.

Because they go above and beyond to serve their community, I would like to recognize and congratulate Stater Bros. on their 80th Anniversary.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. KYRSTEN SINEMA

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 8, 2016

Ms. SINEMA. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted: Roll Call Number 481, No; Roll Call Number 482, No.

IN RECOGNITION OF BURR GRAY

HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 8, 2016

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the remarkable service of Burr Gray to our community. Burr has served as the President of the Cabin John Citizens Association in Cabin John, Maryland for 20 years. He was elected to lead the Association in 1997 and has served the Cabin John community with vision and distinction ever since.

Burr is an exemplar of what it means to be engaged in a community. In 1997, at the beginning of his first term, Burr encouraged members of the Cabin John community to become volunteers, to be active in its Citizens Association, and to participate in the first Cabin John Stream Cleanup. Thanks to Burr's leadership, the Cabin John Stream Cleanup is now a community tradition that keeps this waterway to the Potomac River and, ultimately, the Chesapeake Bay, clean. Burr also encouraged community members to support Friends of Cabin John Creek, a coalition of neighborhood community organizations working to curb stormwater runoff.

Burr brought the community's love for the Potomac River to a new level when he began the Cabin John Regatta in 1999. This annual canoe trip has increased respect for the River within the community and allows members of the community to enjoy the natural beauty of Cabin John.

Burr's other endeavors are numerous and include an annual community blood drive, plans for a playground at the Clara Barton Community Center, and formation of Friends of the Clara Barton Community Center. The list goes on and on.

In 2008, Burr spearheaded the neighborhood effort to celebrate the 400th Anniversary of Captain John Smith's voyage on the Potomac River in 1608. This event brought the community together and led the Citizens Association to publish Cabin John: Legends and Life of an Uncommon Place.

Burr has served on the Boards of the Potomac Conservancy and Glen Echo Park. He also spearheaded efforts to preserve Gibson Grove, a cemetery for freed slaves. These efforts led to the restoration of the area and a historical panel to highlight the significance of the site.

Over the last two decades, Burr has put the needs of the Cabin John community first and has personified Cabin John's traditions of service and leadership. I ask my colleagues to join me in expressing our deepest gratitude and appreciation to Burr Gray for his 20 years of creative and visionary service to the community.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL
DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 8, 2016

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 20, 2009, the day President Obama took office, the national debt was \$10,626,877,048,913.08.

Today, it is \$19,478,308,415,366.69. We've added \$8,851,431,366,453.61 to our debt in 6 years. This is over \$7.5 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

RECOGNIZING BURNHAM JOHN
"BUD" PHILBROOK'S 70TH BIRTH-
DAY

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 8, 2016

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Burnham John "Bud" Philbrook as he celebrates his 70th birthday. As Bud commemorates this milestone with his wife Michele and their family, I would like to call to attention some of the remarkable work that Bud has done in his 70 years.

As newlyweds, Bud and Michele embarked on a honeymoon they would later describe as a "blending of Disney World and the real world". From Florida, Bud and Michele traveled to Guatemala to volunteer in the rural village of Conacaste. This experience stayed